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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

A method of bringing a base station having modified base station capabilities into cellular radio traffic by automatically sending to a network manager capability information corresponding to operational capabilities of the modified base station and automatically receiving configuration information from the network manager identifying operational parameters for use by the modified base station in administering the cellular radio traffic.

- 2. A method according to claim 1, wherein the modified base station capabilities comprise a completely new base station being brought into the cellular radio traffic.
- 3. A method according to claim 1, wherein the capability information and the configuration information are in the format of a common abstract resource information model.
- 4. A method according to claim 3, wherein the base station automatically creates the abstract resource information model based on hardware and software infrastructures of the base station.
- 5. A method according to claim 4, wherein the abstract resource information model is created using combinational relationships between various hardware and software infrastructure objects of the base station and attribute information for various hardware and software infrastructure objects of the base station.

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6. A method according to claim 5, wherein the hardware and software infrastructure objects in the abstract resource information model include frequency spectrum information, maximum power information, and channel type information and wherein the combinational relationships between the objects describe relationships between radio connection units, carrier units and antenna units.

## 7. A base station, comprising:

a base station resource infrastructure management

layer for administration of the base station software and hardware infrastructure;

a base station abstract resource management layer having its own element management operating system based on an abstract information model identifying operational capabilities of the base station software and hardware infrastructure, wherein said information model is independent of any format of said base station software and hardware infrastructure; and

a site capabilities application for creating the abstract information model based on the base station software and hardware infrastructure.

8. A base station according to claim 7, further comprising: an infrastructure element manager for administering the infrastructure management layer.

- 9. A base station according to claim 7, further comprising:
  a communication link with a physically remote mobile
  network for communicating said operational capabilities to said
  remote mobile network and for receiving from said remote mobile
  network configuration information based on the operational
  capabilities.
- 10. A base station according to claim 9, wherein:

  the operational capabilities and the configuration
  information are both formatted according to the abstract information
  model.
  - 11. A base station according to claim 7, wherein the abstract information model defines abstract information objects for the software and hardware infrastructure and combination relationships between the various abstract information objects.
- 12. A base station according to claim 7, wherein the abstract information model represents the operational capabilities by attributes in abstract information model objects.
- 13. A base station according to claim 7, wherein
  the abstract information model defines abstract
  information objects for the software and hardware infrastructure and
  combination relationships between the various abstract information
  objects; and

the abstract information model represents the operational capabilities by attributes in abstract information model objects.

- 14. A base station according to claim 13, wherein the attribute information includes frequency spectrum information, 5 maximum power information, and channel type information.
- 15. A base station according to claim 13, wherein the combination relationships includes relationships between radio connection units, carrier units and antenna units within the software narc and hardware infrastructure.